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METHOD, CENTRAL CONTROL STATION,  
COMMUNICATION STATION,  
COMMUNICATION MANAGEMENT  
PROGRAM, AND COMPUTER-READABLE  
RECORDING MEDIUM STORING  
COMMUNICATION MANAGEMENT  
PROGRAM

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted  
in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.